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### DETAILED ACTION

The reply filed on 12/20/04 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The status of claims 31-36 is not correct. Claims 31-36 were cancelled in the response filed on 5/26/04, which cannot be added back as new claims. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Celine X. Qian Ph.D. whose telephone number is 571-272-0777. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:30-6:00 M-F.

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